BARNSTABLE COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF DELEGATES

In the Year Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three

Resolution 93-12

To comment on the Massachusetts Port Authority's plan to impose peak hour pricing on all aircraft at Logan Airport which will severely impact the economies of Cape Cod and the Islands.

WHEREAS, the Massachusetts Port Authority (Massport), concerned about the ability of Logan Airport to handle air traffic, is making plans to reduce air traffic by imposing "peak hour pricing" on all aircraft landing and taking off between weekday hours of 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, Massport's proposed fees could result in up to a tenfold increase in operating costs to the commuter/regional airlines serving the citizens of Cape Cod and the Islands; and

WHEREAS, Massport's proposed fees will cause one or more of these airlines to drastically reduce or eliminate service between Cape Cod, the Islands and Boston; and

WHEREAS, reduction or elimination of air service between Cape Cod, the Islands and Boston would have severe negative effects upon the economies of Cape Cod and the Islands; and

WHEREAS, studies, such as the joint FAA/Massport/ATA/ et al "Boston Logan International Airport Capacity Study, October 1992," have indicated that there are many options to alleviate capacity problems and the operational delays that result from them at Logan Airport other than increased fees to discourage commuter/regional airline operations.

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Barnstable County Assembly of Delegates:

Urges Governor William F. Weld to request Massport's board of directors to reevaluate its plan to restrict commuter/regional airline access to Logan Airport, which would drastically damage our economies.

Requests that Governor William F. Weld direct Massport's directors to begin implementation of the recommended "airside" improvements which many studies have shown would allow Logan Airport to continue to adequately serve the needs of the citizens, and the economies of Cape Cod and the Islands.

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Assembly of Delegates at a meeting held on June 16, 1993 by a roll call vote with eleven of the fifteen Delegates present and voting 66.94% in favor and 7.42% opposed.

Attested by:

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Oland J. Dupont, Speaker

Assembly of Delegates

The foregoing Resolution was endorsed by the Barnstable County Board of County Commissioners, June 30, 1993.

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